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TO AMEMBASSY LAGOS

AMEMBASSY LOME

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TAGS: APER, NI (KOTT, ROBERT J.)

SUBJECT: FAMILIARIZATION TRAVEL OF ROBERT KOTT TO NIGERIA

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1. FSO ROBERT KOTT, PRESENTLY ASSIGNED LOME, WILL BEGIN WORKING ON NIGERIAN DESK IN AF/W IN AUGUST 1976. DEPARTMENT SUGGESTED THAT HE MAKE FAMILIARIZATION VISIT TO NIGERIA BEFORE RETURNING US, AND KOTT AGREED.
2. UNLESS LOME WILLING TO PAY FOR KOTT'S TRIP FROM POST FUNDS, DEPARTMENT PREFERS THAT HE VISIT NIGERIA IN CONNECTION WITH HIS RETURN TO US, PRESUMABLY IN JULY, WHEN CENTRAL PERSONNEL FUNDS COULD BE USED AND MARGINAL COST WOULD BE LEAST. DEPARTMENT DOES, HOWEVER, SEE POSSIBLE ADVANTAGE IN KOTT'S VISITING LAGOS, IBADAN, KADUNA, AND OTHER CITIES MAY 10-23 AT SAME TIME AS MS SUE PATRICK (REFTEL), WHO IS ALSO ON NIGERIAN DESK, AF WOULD THEREFORE BE WILLING FUND HIS TRAVEL TO NIGERIA AT THAT TIME.
3. IF THIS IDEA IS ATTRACTIVE TO THE POSTS IN NIGERIA (WHICH COULD TO LARGE EXTENT COMBINE PROGRAMS OF BOTH UNCLASSIFIED

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OFFICERS), EMBASSY LAGOS SHOULD SO INFORM LOME.

4. EMBASSY LOME SHOULD DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT HIS ABSENCE IN MAY WOULD BE CONVENIENT BOTH TO THE POST AND TO KOTT PERSONALLY. IF SO, EMBASSY LAGOS WOULD NEED TO KNOW ASAP IN ORDER MAKE APPROPRIATE NOTIFICATION TO MEA, AND DEPARTMENT WILL SEND FISCAL DATA.

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